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Natural Resources Youth Practicum
The San Carlos Apache Tribe
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2010 Junior High School Practicum

Sponsored by

The San Carlos Apache Tribe
&
The Forest Resources Program

When: June 7 – 10, 2010

**Where: Wellness Camp @ Point of Pines,
San Carlos Apache Reservation**

Open to: incoming 6th, 7th, 8th graders

Deadline: May 21, 2010

TRIBAL OBJECTIVES

A key goal of the San Carlos Apache Tribe's Strategic Plan is to increase interest in the field of natural resources through vocational and professional development programs. In order to educate and promote the Apache youth toward the goal outlined in the Strategic Plan, the Forest Resources Program in conjunction with the San Carlos Apache Tribe is sponsoring its annual Natural Resource Youth Practicum. The Practicum is designed to give student's practical hands-on experience in natural resource management including forestry, recreation and wildlife, soils, agriculture, etc. Apache language, traditions, culture, and the traditional management of land by Apaches are also emphasized throughout the Practicum. It is our hope that participants in this Practicum will pursue professional careers in the field of natural resources. This unique experience is provided at no cost to participants and is held in the beautiful mountains of Point of Pines.

STUDENT BENEFITS

Whether students are paddling kayaks on the lake, or hiking the forested areas of the reservation, or bird watching, or running, or studying a tree, or cooking traditional Apache food, or identifying plant species, or singing and dancing to Apache music, or contemporary music, or horseback trail riding, or listening to elders, or meeting old friends, or making new friends, the Natural Resource Youth Practicum is a great experience for students. Located in the pristine high mountains of Point of Pines, the Practicum is designed to educate and inspire students to explore natural resources and the vast array of careers available in the natural resource field. This year, the 2010 Natural Resource Youth Practicum will challenge students to learn about Environmental Conservation. The Practicum will focus especially on water, including: its' importance for sustenance, its' importance to urban planning and management, its' importance to Apache culture, and the history of water rights in Indian Country.

Participants are selected through an application process.

Deadline is May 21, 2010, completed applications can be mailed, faxed, emailed, or hand delivered to the San Carlos Apache Tribe's Forest Resources Office. Tanayia White is the contact person.

- Business: (928) 475-2326 X 314
- Fax: (982) 475-5798
- Twhite@forestry.scat-nsn.gov
- Or drop off at the Forestry Office
- Mail to address listed

Students will be notified of their selection beginning May 26, 2010 via phone, email, or mail.

APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone _____ Birth date/Age _____

School: _____ Grade (Next Fall 2010) _____

Tribal Enrollment # _____

Name/Phone of Parent or Guardian _____

(_____) _____ - _____

Name/Phone of Emergency contact _____

T-Shirt Size _____

Special Food/Dietary Restrictions _____

Have you been reprimanded or suspended from school for fighting or other reasons?

Have you ever been in trouble with the law?

Have you attended a Natural Resource Youth Practicum before? If so, when?

Have you ever voluntarily quit the Practicum?

Have you ever been asked to leave the Practicum?

Have you ever been involved in an altercation at the Practicum?

How did you get this application? _____

STUDENT CONTRACT

Acceptance to the Natural Resource Camp is a privilege, but it also requires students and parents to assume certain responsibilities.

Student: I, _____ as part the Natural Resource Practicum accept the following conditions:

- I will participate in and be on time to all sessions and activities, unless excused by a staff member.
- I will conduct myself in a responsible, respectable, and courteous manner
- I will sleep where assigned and realize that I may be with people I have never met.
- I understand that no one is allowed outside of sleeping quarters after 9:00 pm and that all lights must be out by 10:00 pm, and that there will be a bed check every night by a chaperone.
- I will not use drugs or alcohol during the practicum and I understand that in doing this, I will be sent home at my parent's expense.
- I will not fight or use profane language.
- I understand that I may be held responsible for any damage to camp equipment, surrounding natural resources or facilities.
- I understand that there must be quiet time between 10:00 pm to 5:30 am.
- I understand that some strenuous physical activity will be involved.
- **I understand that no portable CDs, cassette players, DVD players, cell phones, etc., will be allowed.**
- I will adhere to these and all other rules of the Natural Resource Youth Practicum, other cooperating Natural Resource departments, and tribal codes and laws.

Signature of Student: _____ Date _____

Picture Release Statement: I hereby give permission for my pictures to be taken in connection with the Natural Resource Youth Practicum to be used in newspaper, television, magazine articles, videos and talks concerning the Practicum without compensation.

Signature of the Student _____ Date _____

Signature of the Guardian/Parent _____ Date _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION AND PARENT CONTACT

(To be filled out by the parent)

Student Name _____ Phone _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Work Phone _____

Physicians Name & Address: _____ Phone _____

Medical Coverage: _____

Is your child eligible for contract health care coverage from IHS? _____

IHS Clinic Name & Phone _____

Does your child wear glasses or contact lenses? _____ Have Allergies? (explain) _____

Hay Fever? _____ Sinus Problem _____ Allergies to Bites/Stings? _____

Has your child had any major illnesses in the past 5 years? _____

Is your child currently taking any medications? _____

Does your child require any special (emergency) medication? _____

Please list any other information which you feel is important: _____

Parent/Guardian: I have read, understand and agree with the above terms. Permission is given for my child to participate in all activities and events, and for my child to receive all necessary medical attention should the need arise, with the understanding that I will be contacted immediately.

Furthermore:

1. I understand that the Natural Resource Youth Practicum will not be responsible for any theft, injury, or illness where my child is concerned.
2. I give permission for any chaperone or staff member to render first aid if necessary.

3. I give my consent and permission for hospital staff to treat my minor child needed in the case of emergency, with the understanding that I will be contacted immediately.
4. I understand that students will be chaperoned responsibly and every effort will be made to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.
5. I understand that no drugs or alcohol use are permitted and if my student is caught under the influence, I will pick him/her up immediately AT MY OWN EXPENSE.
6. I understand that if my student is caught fighting, using profane language or conducting himself or herself in an unruly or unbecoming manner, I WILL PICK HIM/HER UP IMMEDIATELY AT MY OWN EXPENSE.
7. I understand that as part of my student's application, the EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM is required to be completed and on file.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____